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ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Washington, D.C. 20231

Prior Application:

Art Unit: 3762

Examiner: Unassigned



SIR: This is a request for filing a

☑ Continuation ☐ Continuation-in-Part ☐ Divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/369,039, filed August 4, 1999 for LEFT VENTRICULAR CONDUITS TO CORONARY ARTERIES AND METHODS FOR CORONARY BYPASS.

- Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application including the oath or Declaration and drawings, if any, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 09/369,039 as originally filed on August 4, 1999.
- 2. \square Enclosed is a substitute specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.125.
- 3. □ Cancel Claims _
- A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. 4. □
- 5. ⊠ The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 3 and 4 above.

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Basic Application Filing Fee					\$690	\$	690.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims			
Total Claims	7	-	20	0	x \$18		0.00
Independent Claims	1	-	3	0	x \$78		0.00
[] Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s) +\$260							
					Subtotal	\$	690.00
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity					-	345.00	
TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE				\$	345.00		

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 Applicants are filing this application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R.

 § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration and the filing fee.
- 7. ☑ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, with the exception of the filing fee for this application, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
- 8.

 Amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the sentence:

August 4, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/369,039, filed August 4, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/016,485, filed January 30, 1998 and a continuation-in-part of PCT application Serial No. PCT/US99/03483, filed February 17, 1999, and which claims the benefit of U.S. provisional application nos. 60/099,691 and 60/099,720, each filed September 10, 1998; U.S. provisional application no. 60/099,767, filed September 19, 1998; and U.S. provisional application no. 60/104,397, filed October 15, 1998, all of which are incorporated herein by references.

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New formal drawings are enclosed.

10.	The prior application is assigned of record to:

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11. 🛮	Priority of application Serial No, filed on in (country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy			
	□ is enclosed or	□ is on file in the prior application.		
12. 🗆	verified statement claiming small entity status			
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13. **□** The power of attorney in the prior application is to at least one of the following: FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P., Douglas B. Henderson, Reg. No. 20,291; Ford F. Farabow, Jr., Reg. No. 20,630; Arthur S. Garrett, Reg. No. 20,338; Donald R. Dunner, Reg. No. 19,073; Brian G. Brunsvold, Reg. No. 22,593; Tipton D. Jennings, IV, Reg. No. 20,645; Jerry D. Voight, Reg. No. 23,020; Laurence R. Hefter, Reg. No. 20,827; Kenneth E. Payne, Reg. No. 23,098; Herbert H. Mintz, Reg. No. 26,691; C. Larry O'Rourke, Reg. No. 26,014; Albert J. Santorelli, Reg. No. 22,610; Michael C. Elmer, Reg. No. 25,857; Richard H. Smith, Reg. No. 20,609; Stephen L. Peterson, Reg. No. 26,325; John M. Romary, Reg. No. 26,331; Bruce C. Zotter, Reg. No. 27,680; Dennis P. O'Reilley, Reg. No. 27,932; Allen M. Sokal, Reg. No. 26,695; Robert D. Bajefsky, Reg. No. 25,387; Richard L. Stroup, Reg. No. 28,478; David W. Hill, Reg. No. 28,220; Thomas L. Irving, Reg. No. 28,619; Charles E. Lipsey, Reg. No. 28,165; Thomas W. Winland, Reg. No. 27,605; Basil J. Lewris, Reg. No. 28,818; Martin I. Fuchs, Reg. No. 28,508; E. Robert Yoches, Reg. No. 30,120; Barry W. Graham, Reg. No. 29,924; Susan Haberman Griffen, Reg. No. 30,907; Richard B. Racine, Reg. No. 30,415; Thomas H. Jenkins, Reg. No. 30,857; Robert E. Converse, Jr., Reg. No. 27,432; Clair X. Mullen, Jr., Reg. No. 20,348; Christopher P. Foley, Reg. No. 31,354; John C. Paul, Reg. No. 30,413; David M. Kelly, Reg. No. 30,953; Kenneth J. Meyers, Reg. No. 25,146; Carol P. Einaudi, Reg. No. 32,220; Walter Y. Boyd, Jr., Reg. No. 31,738; Steven M. Anzalone, Reg. No. 32,095; Jean B. Fordis, Reg. No. 32,984; Roger D. Taylor, Reg. 28,992; Barbara C. McCurdy, Reg. No. 32,120; James K. Hammond, Reg. No. 31,964; Richard V. Burgujian, Reg. No. 31,744; J. Michael Jakes, Reg. No. 32,824; Thomas W. Banks. Reg. No. 32,719; Christopher P. Isaac, Reg. No. 32,616; Bryan C. Diner, Reg. No. 32,409; M. Paul Barker, Reg. No. 32,013; Andrew Chanho Sonu. Reg. No. 33,457; David S. Forman, Reg. No. 33,694; Vincent P. Kovalick, Reg. No. 32,867; James W. Edmondson, Reg. No. 33,871; Michael R. McGurk, Reg. No. 32,045; Joann M. Neth, Reg. No. 36,363; Gerson S. Panitch, Reg. No. 33,751; Cheri M. Taylor, Reg. No. 33,216; Charles E. Van

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<u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION</u>. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in the parent application, serial no. 09/369,039 filed August 4, 1999, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

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Dated: March 24, 2000

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